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Dear Examiner Vo:

Per our telephone conference of yesterday, please find attached a Response to a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment with regard to the above-identified matter.

Thank you.

Wayne R. Grohs

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

This paper is submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 16, 2003, having a period for response set to expire on January 16, 2004. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks.

The corrected non-compliant "Amendments to the Claims" section begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.